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## U. S. BUSINESSMEN LAUNCH FIGHT ON BLACKLIST

### RAPID TRANSIT TO PUSH EXTENSIONS IF WAY IS CLEAR

Further Legal Fights, However, Will Indefinitely Hold Up Improvements

### LATEST CHARTER PLAN MAY DIE IN PIGEON-HOLE

Following Supreme Court Decision Yesterday, Result of Findings Is Discussed

(The gist of the supreme court's decision in the "Rapid Transit case" together with extracts from the court decision, is published on page 9 of today's issue.)

Officials and directors of the Rapid Transit Company feel that the territory's fight to enjoin further stock issuance by the company was given the decisive blow by the supreme court decision yesterday afternoon, but the way is not yet clear for the transit company to proceed with important and much-needed extensions.

What the immediate result of the decision will be depends upon the attitude of the territorial government. If Governor Pinkham wishes to carry further the fight in the name of the territory, the company is not justified in putting out a large amount of money in extensive and improvements at this time.

Such in substance are the expressions voiced by Rapid Transit representatives today. Manager Ballentyne, discussing with the Star-Bulletin the supreme court decision, says that his company is very anxious to go ahead with improvements but points out that if the governor continues the legal fight, it will indefinitely delay the Fort Ruger extension, the Kalihi extension, the double-tracking of King street to Kapiolani Park and other additional transportation facilities the company plans now or in the near future.

Though Attorney-General Sabin declares that in some respects the supreme court decision favors arguments of the territorial government, Rapid Transit representatives regard the decision as one emphatically in their favor. They have for months expressed confidence that the territory could not win its injunction suit to prevent a stock increase, and they said today that the supreme court findings show the justice of their attitude.

What About Latest Charter Proposal? Whether the governor will go any further with the new franchise draft now in his possession, in view of the court decision, is a question still unanswered. The governor was not willing to discuss the subject at any length today, having had no opportunity to study the decision.

It will be remembered that a few months ago, while the injunction suit was moving through the deliberate legal processes, the public utilities commission proposed that all of the various troublesome points under the old franchise be swept away and a new franchise bill be presented to Congress. The commission and Rapid Transit directors held one or two meetings and a committee of directors worked with the commissioners. The city took a hand and after numerous meetings and hearings a new franchise plan which appeared to be acceptable to the commission and the company was drawn up. This plan was then submitted to the governor, who has had it in possession for many weeks. He has given no intimation whether he favors it in principle or in detail, in both or in neither. It was to have been sent to Congress but the guess has been made that the governor waited for the supreme court decision before taking any action on the new franchise.

Doubt Further Action. Rapid Transit representatives rather doubt now whether this proposed franchise will be carried any further. They say also that in the light of the supreme court decision, which upheld Circuit Judge Stuart, the Rapid Transit directors might not be entirely satisfied with the charter proposal. The present charter is admittedly a good charter for the company and, feeling that they have won a decisive legal victory and have been sustained, the directors might not wish to proceed further now with plans for another charter. It is conceded that no material action could be taken by the present congress, anyway, because of the late date and because congress is tied up on legislation the administration is bent on putting through.

Therefore the feeling seems to be that the charter proposal about which there was such a rowing a few months ago will die a lingering death in some pigeon-hole without ever getting to Washington. May Be Further Delayed. Manager Ballentyne pointed out this morning that there may be further legal proceedings which would prevent the company from going ahead with improvements. "If the decision of the supreme court here is appealed to the ninth circuit court of appeals, we would not be justified in proceeding with costly improvements."

"Then, too, there is a possibility that the territory might start a suit

### NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

Following are the closing prices of stocks on the New York market today, sent by the Associated Press over the Federal Wireless.

	Today.	Yesterday.
Alaska Gold	18 1/2	18 1/2
American Smelter	93 1/2	94 1/4
American Sugar Rfg	109	109 1/4
American Tel. & Tel.	129 1/2	129 1/2
Anconada Copper	78 1/2	79 1/2
Atchafalca	104 1/2	104 1/4
Baldwin Loco.	70	71 1/4
Baltimore & Ohio	86 1/2	86 1/2
Benefield Steel	19 1/2	19 1/2
Calif. Petroleum	17 1/2	17 1/2
Canadian Pacific	95 1/2	96
C. M. & St. P. (St. Paul)	44 1/2	44 1/2
Colo. Fuel & Iron	44 1/2	44 1/2
Crucible Steel	68 1/2	68 1/2
Erie Common	35 1/2	35 1/2
General Electric	168	170
General Motors	500	500
Great Northern Pfd.	118 1/2	118 1/2
Inter. Harv., N. J.	115 1/2	115 1/2
Kennecott Copper	45 1/2	46 1/2
Lehigh R. R.	78	78 1/2
New York Central	103 1/2	103
Pennsylvania	56 1/2	56 1/2
Ray Consol.	22 1/2	23
Southern Pacific	97 1/2	97 1/2
Studebaker	126 1/2	126 1/2
Tennessee Copper	22 1/2	25 1/2
Union Pacific	137 1/2	137 1/2
U. S. Steel	85 1/2	86
U. S. Steel Pfd.	118	117 1/2
Utah	76	76 1/2
Western Union	93 1/2	93
Westinghouse	56	56 1/2

\*Bid. †Ex-dividend. ‡Unquoted.

### NEW YORK COURT DENIES FILIPINO CITIZEN RIGHTS

Fact That Ancestor Is White Does Not Make All Descendants So, Contention

A decision in conflict with the one by Federal Judge Charles F. Clements, in which it was held that Filipinos are eligible for American citizenship, was handed down in the southern district of New York April 12, this year, according to an advance sheet of the Federal Reporter, which have been received in Honolulu and submitted to U. S. Attorney S. C. Huber.

Petition for naturalization was filed in the New York court by a native of the Philippines who had served one full enlistment in the United States navy, and who at the time of the decision was serving his second. It developed in the course of the hearing that the petitioner was the son of a Filipino mother and father, the mother of the latter being a Filipino and the father a Spaniard.

"Certainly any white ancestor, no matter how remote, does not make all his descendants white," the decision says, in conclusion. The application of the petitioner was denied.

### MARSHAL TESTIFIES HE DID NOT EMPLOY MAN FROM SHANGHAI

Holding that the nature of the testimony introduced at the preliminary hearing was sufficient to warrant a further investigation of the case, U. S. Commissioner George S. Curry late Monday afternoon bound Ned Widler over to the federal grand jury, fixing the defendant's bond at \$1000.

Widler is charged with impersonating a federal official. According to witnesses he made statements to the effect that he was a "secret service" agent in the employ of a "man from Washington," and also that he was in the employ of Marshal J. J. Smiddy. Called to the witness stand Monday, Marshal Smiddy denied that Widler was or ever had been in his employ.

### LACK OF QUORUM MAY PREVENT MEETING OF SCHOOL COMMISSION

A meeting of the territorial school commissioners has been called for 10 o'clock next Monday morning in the office of the department of public instruction, judicial building. Supt. Henry W. Kinney says it is doubtful if there will be a quorum present, and if there is not the meeting will be postponed probably until the latter part of August.

### SEVENTY ARRESTED FOR AUTO SPEEDING

HAYWARD, Cal.—Seventy motorists were arrested for speeding on the county road here recently. Five were citizens of Oakland and two of Alameda on their way to their vacation destinations. The entire 70 appeared before Justice of the Peace F. W. Hayward for hearing. A majority were fined and others were released on their promise not to repeat the offense.

### HAROLD W. RICE BUYS CORNWELL RANCH PROPERTY

Big Maui Deal Closed, A. M. Brown and Mrs. Blanche Walker Selling Interest

PRICE NEAR \$250,000;  
35,000 ACRES INVOLVED

Largely Under Leasehold; Second Important Ranch Sale Lately

Harold W. Rice of Maui has bought the entire Cornwell ranch on the island of Maui from A. M. Brown and Mrs. Blanche Walker at a price which is said to be in the neighborhood of \$250,000. This was learned today when the final arrangements for the sale of the ranch were made. It amplifies the story published by the Star-Bulletin Saturday which stated that A. M. Brown had sold his interest in the ranch, but the name of the buyer was withheld at the time because, it was stated, all arrangements had not been completed. This evidently meant that the sale of Mrs. Walker's half-interest had not been fully settled.

With the consummation of this sale Rice now owns one of the largest ranches on the islands. The acreage of the ranch totals 35,000 acres of which 10,000 acres are fee simple and 25,000 in leaseholds, and there are between 3000 and 3500 head of cattle.

Jas. F. Morgan Company, Ltd., represented the purchaser and the Waterhouse Trust Company the seller. Mrs. Walker's interest has been held in the name of Walter F. Dillingham and R. W. Atkinson.

This is the second large ranch deal of the last few months, the other being the sale of Princetown plantation company and ranch, Kaula, to Lihue Plantation Company.

### INSTRUCTOR FOR 'Y' TRADE SCHOOL HAS EXPERIENCE

F. P. Rawson Will Arrive Here In September to Take Up Work With Y. M. C. A.

Frederick Payne Rawson will be called to Honolulu in September to take charge of the classes in mathematics in relation to the shop work of the Y. M. C. A. Cooperative Trade Schools. At a meeting of the educational committee yesterday afternoon, the appointment of Rawson was announced.

Rawson makes his home in West Townsend, Mass., and has been active in trade school work for the past six years. For two years he was in charge of the industrial work at Peaceful Valley Farm School at Oxford, N. Y., and for four years was instructor in the industrial high school of Hinkley, Maine. He is a graduate of Bowdoin and Cornell, and a good athlete, having pitched for the Bowdoin Varsity. He will arrive in Honolulu early in September to take up his work.

### STOCKS HOLD UP WELL, SALES ARE LESS IN VOLUME

Oahu Sugar Company stock was today put on the new basis of \$6,000,000 capitalization of the company. Before the session the quotation for Oahu was \$43.25 and at the session the quotation on the new basis was made \$36.

Ewa was a strong feature of the early trading, rising from \$36.75 to \$37. Other stocks showed slight changes. Generally the market was strong and firm, but with transactions in somewhat smaller volume. Sales of listed securities between boards, 1707, and at the session 520. In addition to the prices already mentioned, Pioneer was \$54.25; Onomea, \$56.50; Waihua, \$37; Honolulu Brewing, \$20.50; McBryde, \$12.87 1/2, and Hawaiian Commercial rose from \$52.25 to \$52.50. Pacific Sugar Mill sold at \$20 for 850 shares and then at \$22 for 45 shares.

Of the unlisted securities 10 shares of Honolulu Oil sold for \$3.15, Mineral Products was 99 cents and 2500 shares changed hands at that price. Fifty shares of Tipperary sold at 10 cents. Engels Copper was quoted at \$2.60-2.80 and Mountain King 75-85 cents.

### NEGOTIATIONS FOR DANISH ISLANDS NEAR COMPLETION

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 25.—Secretary to the President Tumulty announced at the White House today that negotiations are virtually completed for the purchase by the United States of the Danish West Indies, important for strategic as well as for commercial reasons. The price to be paid Denmark is \$25,000,000. Diplomats of the two countries have practically agreed upon the form of a treaty providing for the purchase, and this treaty will be signed soon and go to the senate for ratification.

### POLICE HOPE TO RUN DOWN BOMB FIENDS SHORTLY

Get Clue From Conductor Of Two Foreigners Carrying Suit-case

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 25.—Though the police announce no definite clue to the criminal or criminals responsible for the bomb tragedy of last Saturday, they are working on a number of important leads. Search has been begun for two foreigners seen on a street car just previous to the explosion, carrying a suitcase, which is said to resemble that in which the time-bomb was placed together with nails and other material. The conductor of the car which carried the men has given a detailed description of them to the police.

Reuben Vaughn of Berkeley, one of the bomb victims, died today, making seven deaths to date. He was a river captain.

### GAS EXPLOSION IN TUNNEL KILLS 22; OTHERS HURT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
CLEVELAND, O., July 25.—A horrible gas explosion in a tunnel under Lake Erie today resulted in the deaths of 22, while six others were fatally hurt. The point where the explosion occurred is five miles off shore. Investigation is in progress to determine the cause of the explosion.

### PARCELS POST TO CHINA NOW

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 25.—By formal convention, the United States and China have provided for a mutual parcels post arrangement, it was announced today. Packages as high as 11 pounds may be sent to any post-office in the United States or any post-office in China at a rate of 12 cents a pound. The new agreement becomes effective August 1.

### FIERCE FIRE DESTROYS COAL MINE IN JAPAN

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji)  
TOKIO, Japan, July 25.—As a result of a bad fire which is now still raging the owners of the Takashima coal mine, near Nagasaki, have abandoned hope of saving the mine. The mine is now believed to be a total loss, the damages reaching more than a million dollars.

The fire started from a gas explosion which occurred in the mine on the night of July 17, while, luckily enough, the miners were all out of the mine. At the time of the explosion it was thought that some miners had perished in the mine but investigation later showed otherwise. Every effort to control the fire was futile, the fire spreading rapidly all over the mine. It has been raging fiercely since then and today it was finally announced that the mine will be left to the ravages of the fire, and abandoned.

### CHERRY STEMS USED FOR POISON GASES

THE DALES, Ore.—Cherry stems are being shipped to Europe from here to make poisonous gas, used by the opposing armies in France. Cyanide of potassium is obtained from the stems.

### ARE JAPANESE OBJECTIONABLE TO EXECUTIVE?

Editor States That Open Letter Denotes Japanese Not Welcome In Guard

IF NOT ENOUGH FUNDS, STRANGE NOT MENTIONED

Criticism Is Directed at Letter Issued by Governor Which Mentions No Races

"Governor Lucius Pinkham's letter appears to signify that he does not want the Japanese to join the National Guard," said K. Kawamura, city editor of the Nippon Jiji, today. "It is unfortunate that just at the time when Japanese were supporting the movement to form a Japanese company Pinkham should write an open letter stating that there was not enough funds for a new company."

"If there was not enough funds for a new company it appears strange that Pinkham should not have mentioned this before, instead of issuing an open letter at the time that the Japanese were discussing the question. He perhaps knew that there was not a fund for such a purpose, but did not make mention of it until the Young American-born Japanese were taking an interest in the movement."

"Does Governor Pinkham really want Japanese to join the National Guard? Would he be opposed to Japanese joining the companies now seeking membership? These are a few of the questions that the Japanese are asking. A clear statement from Pinkham on this question would be received by the Japanese with pleasure," he concluded.

When asked regarding the National Guard question among the American-born Japanese, B. M. Matsuzawa, secretary of the Japanese Y. M. C. A., said: "Japanese parents are not so feeling as their non-ethnic brethren. The National Guard, in fact, many of them are using it. As for me, I believe that the young men of Hawaii can do much to work for peaceful conditions. If Governor Pinkham does not want the American-born Japanese in the National Guard, that is his affair."

### MARQUIS OKUMA FAILS TO GIVE UP PREMIERSHIP

Failure to Unite on Successor Cause of Aged Premier's Decision to Retain Place

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji)  
TOKIO, Japan, July 25.—Marquis S. Okuma, premier of Japan, who intended to resign from the post on July 23, failed to do so. This is, it was said today, largely due to the fact that the aged premier is still unable to find his successor who would be satisfactory to all concerned.

Gen. Count M. Terauchi, the governor-general of Korea, and Viscount T. Kato, the former minister of the foreign affairs and the actual leader of the Doshikai, the government party, are mentioned to be the next premier. While Marquis Okuma wishes to see Kato appointed to the position, Gen. Terauchi has an influential supporter in the person of Prince A. Yamagata, elder statesman, who insists in appointment of the governor-general of Korea as the next prime minister of Japan. They were unable to reach an agreement which would permit Okuma to hand the resignation to the emperor on July 23, on the date which has been set originally by Premier Okuma to retire.

Gen. Terauchi, Premier Okuma and K. Ichiki, the minister of interior in the Okuma cabinet, was a caller on Prince Yamagata at his country villa at Odawara where the prince is now residing. The political situation was discussed in the conference but no immediate development toward the change of the premier is now expected.

### 55,000 SHELL MAKERS IN BERLIN ON STRIKE

AMSTERDAM, Holland.—The Socialist newspaper, "Tribune," asserts that 55,000 workmen employed in munition factories and electrical works in Berlin and in an aerodrome at Johannistal went on strike as a protest against the prison sentence of Dr. Karl Liebknecht, the Socialist leader, for participation in the May Day demonstration at Berlin.

NOTED ENGINEER IN GUARD HURT; MAY DIE  
EL PASO, Tex.—Private William Wilson, First Pennsylvania Cavalry, one of the most prominent civil engineers in Philadelphia, has been probably fatally injured here. A stone hurled by a quarry blast fractured his skull.

### BRITISH BOYCOTT PLAN MEETS DETERMINED OPPOSITION AND FINANCIERS ARE TAKING PART

COMMITTEE SEEKS AID OF MERCHANTS AND BANKERS THROUGHOUT COUNTRY—SUPPORT IS PLEDGED—BRITISH FIGHTING FOR POZIERES—GERMANS REINFORCED TO STEM ADVANCE—PARIS CLAIMS GAINS

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)  
NEW YORK, N. Y., July 25.—Stirred by the British blacklisting of American firms under the "trading with the enemy" act, and by the reports of their branch offices in London and Paris, large American business houses are planning a concerted campaign against the boycott.

A fight with nation-wide support is being launched. The committee of businessmen named as a result of a meeting a few days ago is seeking the aid of merchants and bankers throughout the United States, to combat the threatened blow at American interests. The committee has already received pledges of strong support from various substantial business houses and individuals.

### British Win Greater Part of Pozieres; Germans Reinforced

LONDON, Eng., July 25.—Fighting was heavy on the west front again today and the British won a number of successes, though only against stiff resistance. The British soldiers who for several days have been battling in the vicinity of the hamlet and trench positions of Pozieres today succeeded in capturing the greater part of the place.

The Germans contested keenly for the possession of Pozieres and brought up large reinforcements, making counter attacks after being driven from their trenches but the British were able to consolidate their gains and hold their positions, inflicting heavy losses on the Germans.

### Sir Edgar Speyer's Enemies Lose Fight in British Court

LONDON, Eng., July 25.—An important decision growing out of the war was handed down today by the court of appeals, which held that Sir Edgar Speyer, the noted banker, has the right to remain on the roll of the privy council. This sustains the decision of the lower court.

Speyer, who for years has been a prominent figure in English and international finance, is a British citizen though of German birth. At the outbreak of the war he was subjected to much heckling and opposition, public speakers claiming that he should be dismissed from the privy council. Premier Asquith defended him, declaring that Speyer was a patriotic British citizen and that he was entitled to hold his public offices.

### Russians Surrounding Turk City and Pressing on in Mesopotamia

PETROGRAD, Russia, July 25.—Having captured various Turkish strongholds in Mesopotamia, Russian troops are surrounding Erzinjan, a stronghold where many a large garrison is fortified. Today Russian troops are within 10 miles of the city.

### French Claim Several Successes

ROME, Italy, July 25.—Italian troops have captured the important position of Monte Cimone, on the Isonzo front.

### Italians Take Isonzo Vantage Point

PARIS, France, July 25.—South of the Somme river today the French captured some blockhouses. South of Estrees and north of Vermandovillers the Germans have been driven out of their trenches, which are now occupied solidly by the French.

### AUTO IN CRATER IS FOLLOWED BY ARREST OF MEN

(Star-Bulletin Special by Mutual Wireless)  
HILO, Hawaii, July 25.—J. H. K. Leslie, T. O. Shin, Morita, John Henriques and Lui Pahana, arrested by the police in Kona and brought to the Hilo jail last night, are charged today with first degree burglary. They are charged with having stolen the car of Fred G. Snow, which was found at the bottom of the crater of Kilauea-iki.

### TRAIN SMASHES AUTO; KILLS YOUNG WOMAN

MONTGOMERY, Mo.—Miss Mary Ahrens, eighteen years old, was killed in an automobile at Martinsburg, near here, while crossing the Wabash tracks. It was a fast train and does not stop at Martinsburg. (Additional telegraph despatches on page 9.)

### PRESIDENT WITH SENATE ON BILL FOR BIGGER NAVY

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 25.—Official word went to the capitol today that the president stands behind the three-year program of the naval bill as it passed the senate. He has given his approval to the construction features of the bill and his influence will be on the side of the senate conferees in their discussion with the house conference committee.

### FIVE TAKE OUT "FIRST PAPERS" IN U. S. COURT

Three natives of the Philippines, one native of Germany and one native of Holland have filed in federal court their declarations of intention to become American citizens. The petitioners are: William Rudolph Bartels, civil engineer and native of Kiel, Germany; Charles Hubert Joseph Rothmans, Catholic priest and native of Rotterdam, Holland; Abundio F. Roloff, Pedro Lopez and Clemente Marabellas, laborers and natives of Cebu, Philippine Islands.

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